## PLAYBILL

Saint Joseph's College

THE COLUMBIAN PLAYERS OF SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE PRESENT

KEN LUDWIG'S AWARD WINNING COMEDY





Special Guest Director Angela Marcum

October 20,21,22 16

#### Director's Note

Lend Me A Tenor has been one of my favorite shows since I saw it on Broadway in 1989! Years later, I was fortunate to play the role of Maggie with a theatre company called the Station Theatre in Illinois. Then, when I was an artistic director with Bright Lights Theatre Company, I made sure to include this play in the second season. It's that well written and funny. The best analogy I have found to describe this play is it feels like getting on a roller coaster--it's quick, full of surprises and every once in awhile it pauses for a brief moment so the audience can catch their breath. This talented group of students bring this spectacular play to life. It has been an honor and a privilege to direct them here at Saint Joseph's College. I am extremely grateful to Dr. Chad Pulver and John Rahe for giving me this amazing opportunity. I'll leave you with this quote from the play, reminding us all in Lin Manual Miranda's words, that "love is love is love". "Gia nell a note dense s'estingue ogni clamor. Tuoni la guerra e s'inabissi il mondo se dope l'ira immense vein quest'immenso amor. (Now in the dark a-night, the whole world can collapse, if, after this immense destruction, there comes this immense love"-Ken Ludwig).



#### The Columbia Players present

Saint Joseph's College

Production of

## Ken Ludwig's Lend Me A Tenor

Originally Produced by the American Stage Festival

"Lend Me a Tenor (Ludwig)" is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.

#### **Production Staff**

Director.......Angela Marcum

Producer	The Columbia Players
Casting Assistants	Caitlin Enright Jordan Leising
Set Design	Logan Torbet
Set Art	Chris Blanchard Saint Joseph's Art Club
Head Builder	Ian Young
Set Builders	Dante Hardin Jake McCoy Martin Moreno
Stage Managers	Kimberly Bullert Kayla Wojcik
Light Board Operator	Thaddeus Albert
Lighting Designer	Thaddeus Albert
Sound Recording	Marten Moreno
Sound Board Operator	Steve Conry
Publicity	Amber Ellington Brett Previdi Kayla Shoaff
Costuming	Wesley Hudson Jade Hurst

Program design......Kayla Shoaff

Brett Previdi Kayla Shoaff

#### Lend Me a Tenor Cast

Max	Royce Cumming
Maggie	Samantha Hoyt
Saunders	Benjamin Spannan
Tito Merelli	Wesley Hutson
Maria	Toni Raver
Bellhop	Logan James
Diana	Danata Paulino
Julia	Toni Franco
Radio Announcer	John Irak Brett Previdi Brian Vidal

Understudies......Brett Previdi

Brian Vidal Kayla Shoaff

#### Cast Biographies



Royce Cumming (Max) Royce is a masters student majoring in Forensic Entomology and is involved with the Colombian Players. He is the son of John and Connie Cumming from King City, CA. This is his first production here at SJC and his first time on stage since acting back in high school. Shout out to our fabulous understudies who helped me prepare for this role.

Samantha Hoyt (Maggie) Samantha is a Junior majoring in Biology with a specialization in Forensics and minoring in Communications specializing in Theater Arts. She is also involved with Improv Club, Writer's Guild, and Christian Worship Experience while serving as the President of the Columbian Players. She is the daughter of Doug and Kelley Hoyt of East Dundee, Illinois. Shout out to Patrick, Mitch, Jade, and Jess. You're the real MVPs





Benjamin Spannan (Henry Saunders) Ben is a sophomore majoring in English, and is also involved campus ministry. Additionally, he is serving as the Sophomore class secretary, Improv treasurer and secretary, Columbian Players Treasurer, and the Grand Master of the Jedi Order. He is the son of Travis and Johanna Spannan from Decatur, Indiana.

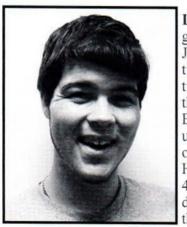
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Wesley Hutson (Tito Morelli) Wes is a junior majoring in religion and philosophy. He is also involved with Improv, Art Club, and the National Society of Leadership and Success. Additionally, he is serving as Lead Costumer and Vice President of the Colombian Players, Student Association secretary, an Honor Roll student, and a New Student Leader. He is the son Charlie and Ann Hutson from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Toni Raver (Maria Morelli) She is a sophomore majoring in Communication, and is involved with the Columbian Players. She is the daughter of Clark Raver of Monon, Indiana. I would just like to thank my Grandmas, Mary and Pat, my dad, and my sisters for always supporting me, along with my church family. And thanks to my friends here at Saint Joe for making my time here awesome. You guys rock!





Logan James (Bellhop) He is a Senior from Logansport, Indiana majoring in Digital Media and Journalism with a minor in Business Administration. He is involved with an array of clubs and activities on campus; he is the former President of the Puma Activities Council, former Executive Board member for the Student Association, Treasurer of the Senior Class, director of TV6 News, DJ on 93.3 The Joe, and a 3rd year RA in Bennett Hall. Logan has been involved with theater since 4th grade and tonight's show will be his 29th production. I want to say thank you to everyone out in the audience. Please know that I appreciate every single one of you more than I can say in words. I

feel so incredibly lucky to be able to be on the stage and do something that I love. To my family, your support means everything. To my girlfriend Allie, I love you more than words can say. To my friends, thank you for keeping me from the lonely nights. Let's spread the love, no more hate. :) ♥

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Danata Paulino (Diana) Danata is a sophomore majoring in English and Creative Writing. She is also involved with colorguard in the marching band, orchestra, Chamber Singers, and concert choir. Additionally, she is serving as Halas Senator and editor of Measure. She is the daughter of Rose Anne and Rickey Paulino from Greenville, Michigan. A huge thank you to the cast of Lend Me a Tenor for being so incredibly fun to work with! I looked forward to coming to rehearsal everyday. Also, thank you Angela for directing and having a good time and patience. It was great working with you. Thank you to Ben for having a job and missing

some rehearsals so I was able to play Saunders' understudy. Finally, to our friends, Mitch, Jade, and Patrick: You guys are the real MVPs!



Toni Franco (Julia) She is a senior majoring in Biology. Toni is also involved with the Colombian Players, Science Club, and the National Society of Leadership and Success. Additionally, she is serving as the treasurer for the cheerleading squad, resident assistant, and working as an office assistant. She is the daughter of Rayann and Anthony Franco from St. Joseph, Michigan.

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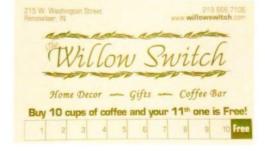












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**Agatha Christie's** 

# The Mousetrap



Auditions

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